

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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New Areas for Skill Development
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Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is making efforts to identify the new areas for the skill development;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is formulating any scheme for more skill development in rural areas; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

(a) to (d) Ministry has notified Constitution of Sector Mentor Committees (SMCs) to synergies the role of Mentor Councils (MCs) and Sector Skill Councils (SSCs) and create a common entity which is solely responsible for development of curricula / content for skill training courses across the country. The main role of each SMC includes suggest new areas and courses for skill development in their respective sectors.

Further, Government has launched the flagship scheme, 'Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY)' on 15th July, 2015 to enable and mobilize a large number of youth to take up outcome based skill training and earn their livelihood. It is a skill certification and reward scheme where in trainees after their successful assessment and certification, get monetary reward through direct bank transfer to their account. The scheme has the target to benefit 24 lakh persons with training of 14 lakh fresh entrants and certification of 10 lakh persons under Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL). The National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC), the Public Private Partnership (PPP) entity is the implementing agency for PMKVY. As on 22nd February, 2016, 12.50 lakh candidates have been enrolled for vocational training under different sectors in 9,314 training centres spread across the Country with coverage of 29 States and 6 Union Territories (UTs). The scheme focuses on both rural areas and school dropouts.